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IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 1-30.

Please add the following claims

31. (New) An interactive game system comprising:

an input subsystem;

an output subsystem; and

A | an application interface subsystem in communication with the input subsystem and the output subsystem, the application interface subsystem being configurable to execute any one of a plurality of applications, the application interface subsystem additionally for configuring input signals from the input subsystem for use by the any one of the plurality of applications and for configuring output signals from the any one of the plurality of applications for use by the output subsystem.

32: (New) The system of claim 31 wherein the application interface subsystem comprises:

an application execution and control unit; and

a local secondary application subsystem in communication with the application execution and control unit.

33. (New) The system of claim 32 further comprising:

a network communications unit enabling communication between the application execution and control unit and one of an application and file server unit, at least one other interactive game system, at least one multi-purpose interactive application execution server, and any other external systems.

34. (New) The system of claim 32 wherein the application execution and control unit further comprises:

an application configuration database; and

an application management system coordinating communication between the input interface, the output interface, the local secondary application subsystem, and the network communications unit based on information stored in the application configuration database.

AI 35. (New) The system of claim 34 wherein the application execution and control unit further comprises an interface management system, the interface management system coordinating information transfer between the application management system and at least one of the input subsystem, the output subsystem, the local secondary application subsystem, and the network communications unit, the interface management system also coordinating information transfer between the application and at least one of the input interface, the output interface, the local secondary application subsystem, and the network communications unit.

36. (New) The system of claim 34 wherein the application configuration database further comprises:

an application navigation script file for storing information relating to executing the applications,

an application interface script file for storing information relating to user control of the application; and

an application manager startup file enabling loading and executing the application.

37. (New) The system of claim 31 further comprising at least one software implemented game readable by the application interface subsystem.

38. (New) The system of claim 32 wherein the input subsystem comprises a control input unit for receiving a control input and configuring the control input for use by the application execution and control unit.
39. (New) The system of claim 32 wherein the input subsystem comprises a visual input unit for receiving a visual input and configuring the visual input for use by the application execution and control unit.
40. (New) The system of claim 32 wherein the input subsystem comprises an audio input unit for receiving an audio input and configuring the audio input for use by the application execution and control unit.
41. (New) The system of claim 32 wherein the input subsystem comprises a position input unit for receiving a position input and configuring the position input for use by the application execution and control unit.
42. (New) The system of claim 32 wherein the output subsystem comprises a force feedback unit for receiving a force feedback output from the application execution and control unit and configuring the force feedback output for use by a user.
43. (New) The system of claim 32 wherein the output subsystem comprises a visual output unit for receiving a visual output from the application execution and control unit and configuring the visual output for use by a user.
44. (New) The system of claim 32 wherein the output subsystem comprises an audio output unit for receiving an audio output from the application execution and control unit and configuring the audio output for use by a user.